

RULES OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

See Rules of Procedure of the
House of Representatives
as proposed by the
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RULES OF THE SENATE

Additions and changes for the Fifty-ninth Legislature Adopted as of March 5, 1965

Rule 25.

Note of Ruling

While a Member has the floor and is speaking and there is a demonstration or applause from the gallery, the Presiding Officer shall give those persons in the gallery two warnings to refrain from such demonstrations or applause, stating each time that it is a warning. If a third warning becomes necessary, the Presiding Officer is authorized to direct the Sergeant-at-Arms to clear the gallery and lock the doors leading to the Senate Chamber. (Senator Hardeman, 2nd Called Session, 55th Legislature, 1957)

Rule 55.

"It shall be in order for the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills to report at any time. The duties of the Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills shall be to examine all bills and resolutions enrolled and engrossed in the Senate and, when properly enrolled, as directed by the Committee or by the Senate, to report thereon and attend to the signing of the bills and resolutions by the proper officials of the Legislature and the delivery to the Comptroller, if necessary, and to the Governor, provided, however, that all bills and resolutions required to be delivered to the Comptroller, in appropriate instances, and to the Governor, shall be original typewriting. No multigraphed, multilithed, mimeographed, printed, carbon, or any other kind of copies or reproductions shall be delivered to the Comptroller and to the Governor, unless otherwise directed by the Committee or by the Senate. The Committee is authorized to employ a Secretary, whose duties shall be as directed by the Committee or by the Senate.

House Amendments to any Senate Bill, Joint Resolution, or Concurrent Resolution shall be printed in the Senate Journal and the date on which such measure is sent to the Governor shall be noted in said Journal." (S.R. 10, 59th Reg., January 14, 1965)

Rule 77. Rule 77 is amended by adding:

"(25) A Committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills." (S.R. 9, 59th Reg., January 14, 1965)

Rule 109. Rule 109 is amended by adding:

"109. (a) The chairman of the committee (or the vice chairman, in the absence of the chairman) shall file with the Senate a written report showing the final action of the committee on each bill and resolution pending before it. He shall file the report within three calendar days from the date the final action on the bill or resolution is taken. Sundays and days the Senate is not in session do not count in computing the three-day limit.

"109. (b) If the report is not filed within the three-day limit, any three members of the committee who were present when final action was taken on the bill or resolution may file the report without the signature of the chairman or vice chairman." (S. R. 217, 59th Reg., March 3, 1965)

Rule 116.

Note of Ruling

A motion to suspend Section 5 of Article III of the Constitution to consider a bill during the first 60 days of a Regular Session requires a vote of four-fifths of the Members of the Senate (25) not four-fifths of the Members present. (President Smith, Regular Session, 59th Legislature, 1965)